GOVERNMENT OF ANDHRA PRADESH ABSTRACT

Elections – Storage of Electronic Voting Machines – Construction of Godown for EVM Warehouse – Sanction of funds to Visakhapatnam District – Orders – Issued.

GENERAL ADMINISTRATION (ELECTIONS-D) DEPARTMENT

<u>G.O.Rt.No: 259</u>

<u>Dated.18.01.2012.</u>

<u>Read the following:</u>

- 1. ECI Lr. No. 52/10/2010, dt:08.11.2010.
- 2. Govt. Memo No.2195/Elecs.D/2/2010, dt:02.08.2010.
- 3. From the Collector & DEO, Visakhapatnam, Lr.No.2013/2009, dt:15.12.2010.

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ORDER:

The Election Commission of India from time to time, has been issuing instructions on the various aspects of the Storage of EVMs. Keeping in view of the safety storage of EVMs, necessary proposals have been called from all the Collector & District Election Officers for construction of permanent godowns for storage of EVMs.

- 2. In the ref. 3rd cited, the Collector & District Election Officer, Visakhapatnam has submitted proposal for construction of permanent godown for EVM Warehouse in the Collectorate to store the EVMs with an estimated cost of Rs.99.00 lakh (Rupees Ninety nine lakhs only) and requested to release the budget.
- 3. Government after careful examination of the proposal here by accord sanction for an amount Rs.99.00 lakh (Rupees Ninety nine lakhs only) for construction of permanent godown to store EVMs in the Collectorate of Visakhapatnam district as per the specification and estimated cost submitted in the Lr. 3rd read above.
- 4. The amount sanctioned in para 3 shall be debited to the head of account MJH 4070 capital outlay on other administrative services MH 800 other expenditure GH 11 Normal state plan SH(14) construction of Godown for safe custody of Electronic Voting Machines 530/531 Major Works provided in the BE 2011-12.
- 5. The Collector & District Election Officer, Visakhapatnam is requested to construct the godown for storage of EVMs through the Government Engineering Department as per the plan and specification submitted in his proposal in the reference 3rd read above providing all safety measures as prescribed by the ECI, shall maintain economy and efficiency and submit expenditure particulars to Government immediately duly following the due procedure.

- 6. The Collector & District Election Officer, Visakhapatnam shall also ensure that the EVM storage Warehouse shall not have more than one entry point and shall not have any windows or ventilators as prescribed by the ECI. The method of Storage of EVMs mentioned in ECI Lr.No.51/8/6/2010-EMS dated 03-05-2010 shall be followed strictly.
- 7. The District Treasury Officer, Visakhapatnam is requested to admit the bills in audit to the extent of funds sanctioned and released in relaxation of Freezing orders in the Memo No.9535/879/A1/BG-I/2011, Finance (BG-I) Department, dt:14.10.2011.
- 8. This order does not require the concurrence of Finance (Expr.GAD-I) Department.

(BY ORDER AND IN THE NAME OF THE GOVERNOR OF ANDHRA PRADESH)

BHANWARLAL, CHIEF ELECTORAL OFFICER & E.O. PRL. SECRETARY TO GOVERNMENT

To

The Collector & District Election Officer, Visakhapatnam.

The Director of Treasuries and Accounts, Andhra Pradesh, Hyderabad.

The District Treasury Officer, Visakhapatnam.

Copy to:

The Accountant General, Andhra Pradesh, Hyderabad.

Finance (Expr.GAD.I/BG.III) Department.

G.A. (Elecs.C) Department.

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SECTION OFFICER